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Headquarters United States Air Force

Washington 25, D. C.

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28 September 1954

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ATTN:

Chief, Geographic Research  
Washington 25, D. C.

Gentlemen;

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Reference is made to your letters of 8 July 1954 and 23 August 1954. These letters respectively developed the requirement for the Urban Area Analysis Program for [ ] and requested an estimate of the cost to [ ] of the program. The cost estimate was requested by 15 September 1954, but consultation with [ ] of your staff indicated that a delay of several days would cause no significant inconvenience.

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Inclosed is the cost estimate furnished to Deputy Director for Targets by Air Research Division, Library of Congress. As your letter of 23 August states, "the availability of space to the Air Research Division, Library of Congress, is still a critical factor and more than likely a determining one as to whether the program will go forward." In the event space is eliminated as a controlling factor, the inclosure may serve to expedite the planning and initiation of the subject program.

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It will be noted that the inclosure states the ARD list and the [ ] are similar in only 30 instances. This circumstance prevails because ARD is not furnished with a comprehensive list, but works with a list tailored to ARD's immediate and scheduled capabilities. A reasonable expectation is that similarity would occur in somewhat more than 30 places over the next three years. Because of the relatively low degree of similarity, and for planning and cost-estimating purposes at this early stage, it is believed appropriate that Part III of the inclosure be used as an "outside" figure.

The result of an official consideration of the subject program by the Library Administration will be forwarded as soon as it is made known.

Sincerely,

/s/

1 Incl  
ARD Cost Estimate

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Directorate of Intelligence

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ARD COST ESTIMATES FOR [ ] URBAN AREA ANALYSIS PROGRAM

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25X1A. The cost estimates for the [ ] proposed Urban Area Analysis Program are itemized in Parts II and III below. Attention must be called to the fact that the Library Administration has not officially studied this proposal and may not be in a position to accept it if and when it is submitted.

The estimates are presented on two bases:

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(a) Where the <sup>USAF</sup> [ ] assignment lists and priorities agree sufficiently to justify a combination of the present ARD program and the [ ] program.

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(b) Where the USAF assignment list and priorities do not agree sufficiently to justify a combination.

These estimates are made on the assumption of operation conducted by a fully trained staff and the necessary working facilities. Approximately 1 year would be required to train a new Production Unit and 6 to 9 months to recruit and train the additional personnel required.

II. Under (a) above the following estimates obtain:

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No. of [ ]-ARD Studies/Year	Add'l. [ ] Studies	Total Studies	Cost/Year Including Overhead
20	0	20	\$ 50,000
20	30	50	385,000
20	40	60	460,000
20	50	70	535,000
20	60	80	610,000
20	70	90	685,000
20	80	100	760,000

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(The present ARD structure is capable of producing 20 target complex studies per year in accordance with present USAF specifications. The present assignment list and the [ ] are similar in 30 instances.)

III. Under (b) above the following estimates obtain:

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[ ] Studies/Year	Total Cost/Year (Including Overhead)
50	\$ 485,000
60	560,000
70	635,000
80	710,000
90	785,000
100	870,000

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